## **4.11 1998 VALIDATION COMMENTS**

This appendix includes comments received in response to the public's review of the draft plan or the public's participation in validation meetings.

Comments are clustered under the specific goal to which they relate or to a specific topic related to the plan. Comments more general in nature are-listed under the category "Other".

## **GETTING AROUND**

- 1. Entire Planning area hostile to pedestrians-recommend sidewalks as top priority in planning.
- 2. Need pedestrian wheelchair ramps on current sidewalks and paths.
- 3. Where sidewalks exist, make Americans with Disabilities Act compliant with curb cuts.
- 4. Sidewalks, this is not a pedestrian friendly area-fix it first!
- 5. Much more need for pedestrian sidewalks-especially through out HUV.
- 6. Neighborhoods-do not push sidewalks, they are not wanted.
- 7. Sidewalks/curbs in all single family neighborhoods! I'd be willing to pay more in property taxes for that! Dump traffic circles.
- 8. Wonderful to have sidewalks and curbs in core-concerned about width.
- 9. Sidewalks on side streets within a mile of all schools.
- IO. Sidewalks to schools.
- 1 1. There should be sidewalks around all schools.
- 12. Sidewalks and curbs on NE 1 10<sup>th</sup> from Sandpoint Way to schools.
- 13. Sidewalks on 1 **10<sup>th</sup>** leading to John Rogers School badly planned. No parking on sidewalks there needs to be enforced. A crosswalk warning sign needed at 1 **10<sup>th</sup>** and Sandpoint Way.

- 14. Sidewalks on 11 0<sup>th</sup> to better access John Rogers: Enforce no parking on sidewalks on 1 10<sup>th</sup>, crosswalks warnings on 1 10<sup>th</sup> and Sand Point Way.
- 15. More sidewalks around schools (Rogers, Addams) and 11 0th and N&S side.
- 16. If possible, please address sidewalks on 109<sup>th</sup> Street and 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE. Why? These are critical to safe access to John Rogers Elementary School. (It's only two blocks.) Thank you.
- 17. I was glad to see the circles around the grade schools denoting 'zone of critical improvements," but there is no specific information in that text except "permit sports...."!? All the schools need sidewalks and safety measures for students to walk to school-especially now that the school district will allow them to be neighborhood schools. This will help attract the families we want and cut down on traffic.
- 18. More sidewalks needed in residential areas with high traffic volume, i.e. 137<sup>th</sup> NE that are on bus routes.
- 19. Whatever became of sidewalk northside of 135<sup>th</sup> NE between 39<sup>th</sup> and 35<sup>th</sup> NE. What of sidewalk west side of 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE between 123' NE and 127<sup>th</sup>?
- 20. Sidewalks are a great improvement. More! i.e. on 1 15<sup>th</sup> and 35<sup>th</sup>.
- 21. I need a sidewalk on at least one side of 33<sup>rd</sup> NE. Between NE 125<sup>th</sup> and NE 130<sup>th</sup>. Repair the sidewalks that are already there, they are cracked and uneven and broken.
- 22. Sidewalks and curb 127th, 27th to 30th.
- 23. Property owner concern with wide sidewalks or boulevard type street on NE 127th between 27th and 30th. Would take too much property right up to owner's building.
- **24. Sidewalks** in the neighborhood NE **98<sup>th</sup>** Street between Lake City and **35<sup>th</sup>** Avenue NE; and between NE **95<sup>th</sup>** and NE **98<sup>th</sup>** along **27<sup>th</sup>** NE Avenue.

- 25. Sidewalks on west side of Lake City. Southbound dangerous.
- 26.1 5<sup>th</sup> NE sidewalks and improvements.
- 27. Need for improved sidewalks on 1 5<sup>th</sup> NE.
- **28.30**<sup>th</sup> NE should be improved with sidewalks on both sides from Lake City Way to **145**<sup>th</sup>. This has almost as much traffic as Lake City Way.
- 29. The text says sidewalks along both sic/es full length of Lake City Way. The map show only one side from 1'12<sup>th</sup> to 123. We need sidewalk all along the west side of Lake City.
- 30. Pinehurst Way and 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE needs sidewalk for safety.
- 31. Create better walking and biking access on Ravenna Avenue NE. Divert and slow down traffic on Ravenna for better enjoyment of and access to nature preserve and keep roads safer for kids.
- 32. Improving neighborhood and the lack of sidewalks and close up open storm ditches with 12" or 14" drain pipes. North and east of 1 25<sup>th</sup> and 35<sup>th</sup> to 145<sup>th</sup> needs improving. It seems to me everything west of Lake City Way is getting all the attention.
- 33. Sidewalks on side streets off Lake City Way and on 30th.
- **34. Cheers** to sidewalks on **127<sup>th</sup>!** Sidewalks are also needed on **27<sup>th</sup>** from **125<sup>th</sup>** through to **145<sup>th</sup>**. This is a very busy north-south street used heavily by **cut**-through traffic.
- 35.42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE needs sidewalks.
- 36.42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE needs a sidewalk.

- 37. Sidewalk coverage needs to be expanded in the urban HUB area, but I oppose sidewalks on 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE which has a woodsy flavor without.
- 38. Triangle, Lake City Way, 24th NE, Northgate Way needs sidewalks.
- **39. Other** than Civic Core area, funding for sidewalks needs to get more specific as to anyway to fund other than **property/wastewater** disposal assessments.
- **40.** All streets should have curbs and gutters at full street widths. Sidewalks only on business streets and streets with heavy traffic.
- 41. Where sidewalks have been placed, or will be placed, make sure curbs are also placed to keep cars from parking on sidewalks.
- 42. New development requires the builder to build sidewalks and **curbings?** Is there a storm drain system to handle this? If not why is the City requiring this?
- **43.No** more maple trees. Too costly to maintain the sidewalks.
- 44. Keep sidewalks clear of cars, vegetary encroachment, and business encroachment on sidewalk.
- 45. I understand the desire for more pavings and sidewalks, but in a recent article in the paper an expert is said to have reversed his support of controlling drainage by funneling into detention basins. The result of their system is counter to Goal #7.
- 46. I polled on your last questionnaire for sidewalks and a lot of the things you have going! But making sidewalks so they get rid of right hand turn lanes and decrease parking is not what I call better.
- 47. Discussion on use of sidewalks for bikes is legal as long as pedestrians have the right of way. Need curb cuts in sidewalks to make that work. Counter from a bike rider, no the streets are more effective, sidewalks would not have heavy bike rider use.

- **48. Car** dealerships along Lake City Way south from Dick's to **95**<sup>th</sup> encroaching on public right of way, interfering with ability for pedestrians to maneuver on west side of street where there are no sidewalks.
- 49. Have you been by the Post Office. Talk to any customers or employees about that big sidewalk curb. They are mad! Now that the sidewalk is bigger than the road, I saw one lady drive-up to the mail box on the sidewalk. Me, I just double park and let traffic wait until Christmas! So by cutting off the turn lanes and decreasing parking places you have increased road PAGE!!!
- 50. Pedestrian access to Cedar Park is needed (sidewalks); walking/biking trail. Crosswalks on 35<sup>th</sup> NE north of 125<sup>th</sup> is a must.
- 51 . Under "Getting Around": The NE 105<sup>th</sup> corridor between 19<sup>th</sup> Ave NE and 23<sup>rd</sup> Ave NE needs an environmentally friendly, i.e. run-off minimization plan. For bicycle/pedestrian paths. No paved sidewalks, please. This would really hurt the Thornton Creek Watershed.
- **52. Concerned** about safety of foot traffic on **42<sup>nd</sup>** Avenue NE. This street feeds hundreds of houses between NE **123<sup>rd</sup>** and NE **145<sup>th</sup>**. There are not only no sidewalks, but no shoulders and blind corners in some stretches. Cars go too fast. We need to cover over the ditches and make safe, off-the-street places for adults and children to walk. Thank you.
- **53.** The condominium at 90<sup>th</sup> and Lake City Way has created a traffic and pedestrian hazard because of insufficient parking and sidewalks.
- 54. [I'd rather see the money spent on] Sidewalks and curbs in neighborhoods.
- 55. Put sidewalks where they're really needed like Lake City Way, 1 5<sup>th</sup>, and other major arterials—leave Victory Heights as it is.
- 56. The appeal of Victory Heights is the lack of sidewalks, the lovely trees, and the feeling that we're a little bit "rural". Not only would sidewalks destroy that feeling, but those of us on the smaller 7000 square foot lots would have the strollers peeking in our front windows since many of us already have houses close to the street.

- 57. My greatest fear...stand[ing] on the west side of 1 5<sup>th</sup> at 107<sup>th</sup> where there's no curb or even any designation where 15<sup>th</sup> actually is-and this is on a major arterial.
- 58. As I walked around the Victory Heights **area...I** only imagine how many trees, bushes, and grassy areas would have to be removed to make way for 5 foot sidewalks-God forbid 8 foot sidewalks-This is a residential area-not downtown on the boardwalk.
- 59. Using, employing curb bulbs, street trees, plantings....These are the worst things for pedestrian safety. They make it hard or impossible for motorists to see the pedestrians and hard for pedestrians to see the cars. Sidewalks should be next to the curb and at least eight feet wide with no plantings. Signals should be installed on any wide street timed for handicapped pedestrians.
- 60. NE **104<sup>th</sup>** is not a pedestrian oriented street in the same sense the others listed are. In Victory Heights it has a "Dead End" on both the east and west ends.
- 61. Traffic signal, 130th and 35th.
- 62. Safety must be improved at NE 123<sup>rd</sup> between Sand Point Way and 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. Vegetation and culverts make it very dangerous for pedestrians. Do something before someone is killed.
- 63. Sidewalks along NE **127**<sup>th</sup> should be on north side only to allow for auto parking for apartments on south side.
- 64. Would like more info on the improved access to the Burke Gilman trail.
- 65. Designate NE 125<sup>th</sup> as a route between the civic core and the Burke-Gilman Trail. Easier for walkers in this high congestion area.
- 66. Please, please, please more sidewalks (particularly near schools, i.e., John Rogers Elementary). More growth means more pedestrians and more cars trying to share the streets. An equation for trouble.

- **67.Would** like a lot of emphasis on turning Lake City from one of the armpits of the City to a much calmer "boulevard". Any chance for residential curbs and sidewalks, it'd make a huge difference.
- **68.We** live near John Rogers School (since 1964). I think its time we had sidewalks like the rest of the city-real paved roads. It's hard to walk in our neighborhood and the sharp gravel hurts our dog's feet.
- **69. The** mid-block pedestrian link from LAKE **CITY** WAY to the Library is inspired!

## TRAFFIC & TRAFFIC MITIGATION

- 1. With increased density, will have more children. Consider opening of Lake City School or Cedar Park, and the need for overpass on Lake City Way at 137<sup>th</sup> for school children.
- 2. Pedestrian overpass/crossing at 130/127/125 and Lake City Way.
- 3. NO bridge over Lake City Way between Northgate Way and 98<sup>th</sup>. Bicycle and pedestrian lanes are not necessary in Victory Heights. Bicyclists and pedestrians can already go wherever they wish. A bridge over Lake City Way would change the nature of Victory Heights, but a bridge at 95<sup>th</sup> would be a good idea.
- 4. Need for pedestrian overpasses or pedestrian friendly crosswalks on Lake City Way at 125<sup>th</sup>, 127<sup>th</sup>, 1 30<sup>th</sup>, 135<sup>th</sup>.
- 5. Lake City Way crossing at 130<sup>th</sup>, 127<sup>th</sup>, 125<sup>th</sup> (one or more) pedestrian overpasses.
- 6. Somebody should do something to expedite traffic along Lake City Way, **15**<sup>th</sup> NE, and **35**<sup>th</sup> NE. Synchronize the lights and quit adding more.
- 7. Make Lake City Way 2 lanes and 1 turn lane just like Ave D in Snohomish.
- 8. There is a problem with speeders from Lake City Way on NE **98**<sup>th</sup> Street to **35**<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE and also from **35**<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE down to Lake City Way.

- 9. Speed of traffic moving south on Lake City Way, where the speed limit in Lake Forest Park on Bothell Way is 45mph, decreases to 35mph upon entering city limits and decreases to 30mph in the business district, however, traffic does not slow and speed limit is not enforced. Need large lighted speed sign noting decrease in speed such as "Business Area 30mph"
- **10. You** are trying to turn Lake City Way into a freeway. You have wasted so much money on street donuts, etc. Build a freeway around us. Leave us alone.
- 11. Reduce/slow traffic on Lake City Way in and near Civic Core.
- 12. My only concern is that the Department of Transportation's plan to put a median along Lake City Way will not create the boulevard look or feel you describe. I understand the need for traffic decongestion, but want a nice, pedestrian friendly street.
- **13. Triangle** area at **24<sup>th</sup>** NE and Northgate Way, several comments on the blind sight of the corner. Want more definite planning on the area. One suggestion considers inclusion in the **HUV**, possible rezone. If this is a proposed monorail stop, want more information.
- 14. Want a traffic circle at **109<sup>th</sup>**, approximately 2 blocks west of Lake City Way and Northgate Way.
- 15. Pinehurst Way and 17" Avenue NE needs a residential zone or speed zone sign for safety.
- 16. Speed limit **signage** and pedestrian safety along Sand Point Way are substandard. The average car speeds along at 40mph in a 30mph zone. I **want** to see this dangerous situation resolved! By the way, I've already registered a complaint.
- 17. No mention is made of traffic on Sandpoint Way, I would like to see some progress in mitigating traffic and speeding on it.
- 18. Include additional law enforcement to curb speeders on Sand Point Way. This traffic is dangerous and noisy. Please do not plan so as to increase this **traffic.**

- 19.1 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE and 106<sup>th</sup> is a very dangerous intersection because of speeding traffic northbound on 15<sup>th</sup>—not realizing that 106<sup>th</sup> is an acute angle turn-then either missing turn and crashing or rear-ending person turning right (east) on 106<sup>th</sup>.
- 20. Need safer crossing between Sacajewea and those on the other side of **15<sup>th</sup>**. There have been many recent close calls between kids and cars.
- 21. Speed on 1 5<sup>th</sup> between 95<sup>th</sup> and Northgate-can it become one of the areas where it would be routinely patrolled for speed.
- 22. Wish there was **someway** to address the speeding **traffic** between Lake City Way and Northgate Way on 15" Avenue NE.
- 23. Curbs needed on 24th and other paths.
- 24. Curve 24<sup>th</sup> NE at Northgate Way-improve visibility.
- 25. Pedestrian streets for core and connections to other civic parks and sites. Close **28**<sup>th</sup> or a portion of it to cars.
- 26. I have concerns that overflow **traffic** will go down 35" Avenue NE. I think we need a plan to assure 35" Avenue NE remains a residential street and not a bypass thorough fare.
- 27. Need Fred Meyer to live up to obligation for marked crosswalk on **35<sup>th</sup>** at the corner of NE **130<sup>th</sup>**.
- 28. SE comer of Fred Meyer across 35<sup>th</sup> need crosswalk.
- 29. I'm concerned about the impact on traffic which may use **35<sup>th</sup>** Avenue as an alternate route instead of going through the new urban village congestion.
- 30. I would like to see an actual pedestrian activated stop light at the **105<sup>th</sup>** and **35<sup>th</sup>** Avenue crosswalk. Traffic is heavy and fast on **35<sup>th</sup>** and our access to the new

- park is hindered 'by how difficult it is to cross 35<sup>th</sup>. Traffic does not yield, especially to children. (There is no easy crossing from 95<sup>th</sup> to 1 10<sup>th</sup>).
- 31. What plans are being made to keep 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE residential and not become an even greater overflow route from Lake City Way? How about some curb extensions so **traffic** doesn't use the parking lane as another **traffic** lane?
- 32.42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue between NE 123<sup>rd</sup> and NE 145<sup>th</sup>. Concerned about safety of people and bikes using 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE. Only 2 access points for 22 block long residential street. No place to walk. No speed signs.
- 33. Safety improvements needed along 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE.
- 34.42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE between NE 123<sup>rd</sup> and NE 145<sup>th</sup>
  - **42<sup>nd</sup>** Avenue NE is a major residential street with heavy traffic flow! It is a family area with many children, yet is a very dangerous street. There is also heavy pedestrian use, yet no sidewalk or safety precautions. This is an area of a major accident waiting to happen. We would like taken into serious consideration:
  - a) Speed bumps. Cars currently travel too fast in this area.
  - b) Yield signs where 123' to 42<sup>nd</sup> NE and the street (Lakeside?) continuing to the water.
  - c) Redirect drainage flow which currently flows directly across the street at several points.
  - d) Sidewalk on one side of the street for children and other pedestrians.
- 35. There are many, many families with small children on 42<sup>nd</sup>. We have speed problem and speedbumping would help. Especially on the "S" curve down to the water. A yield sign on 42<sup>nd</sup> and 123<sup>rd</sup> also on 41<sup>st</sup> and 42<sup>nd</sup> "Y" would help. We also have a drainage problem where water runs across the street and freezes in the winter (1"-3" of ice). Underground ditches would be great. Thank you!
- 36.42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE between 123<sup>rd</sup> and 145<sup>th</sup>-Lots of speeders, no speed bumps or sidewalks. We've almost been run off the road 3 times in the last 2 months. Please do something about this before a child (or adult) is hurt. VERY DANGEROUS as is.

- 37.42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE and it's community need attention. 42<sup>nd</sup> carries heavy traffic which moves way too fast for this totally residential street with many pedestria and children. We need a sidewalk! Speed control and traffic flow control!
- 38. Worried about safety along **42<sup>nd</sup>** Avenue NE between 123' and **145<sup>th</sup>**. Only 2 access points for cars. A lot of traffic. No place to walk bike. Safety improvements needed.
- 39.45<sup>th</sup> needs major safety improvements.
- 40. [What do you like best?] Improvements for walking/biking, safe children vs. traffic. I am on 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Traffic is too fast and there is no clear separatic between **traffic** and pedestrians. This is a neighborhood through-way. **Altho**L it is the main route connecting Meadowbrook Pond, Community Center, John Rogers Elementary at **Burke-Gilman** Trail there are no traffic circles or sidewalks.
- 41. Be specific about how neighborhoods can develop safety features on streets (47'4.
- 42. From 95<sup>th</sup> to 97<sup>th</sup> traffic is heavy and fast. 98<sup>th</sup> needs revisions to lessen throutraffic. Traffic should be funneled to Northgate Way or kept on Lake City Way Get rid of stop light at 98<sup>th</sup> and Lake City Way.
- 43. Traffic control at 105th and Fischer Place.
- 44. Do NOW: Caution sign at corner of NE **105**<sup>th</sup> and Fischer Place. Fischer Place carries school children with NO place to walk. Needs at least one sidewalk path. Safety-first (see traffic-count).
- 45. Stop cut through traffic on Fischer Place--make it local access ONLY!
- 46. Corner of 1 **05**<sup>th</sup> and Fischer is very dangerous. East bound **traffic** is speeding and over center line crossing. A circle or traffic control device needs to be installed. This becomes a very high priority if the **105**<sup>th</sup> bike/pedestrian trial is acted upon and built.
- 47. Safety on 45<sup>th</sup>, and 1 05<sup>th</sup> between 35<sup>th</sup> and Lake City Way.

- 48. Our concern is the area on 1 15<sup>th</sup> between 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE and Sandpoint Way. Concern over increased volume and <u>Wellocity</u> of traffie on 1 15<sup>th</sup> Street NE. d like traffic barriers to limit flow and speed of traffic; but <u>without</u> sidewalks. There have been auto accidents along 11 5<sup>th</sup> NE. We want to preserve the natural feel of the area and are happy to volunteer to care for roundabouts.
- 49. Also implant more islands in arterials to control traffic speed especially on NE 115<sup>th</sup>.
- 50. I am troubled by the waste of public funds to erect street barriers such as those on 1 15<sup>th</sup>. They do not slow traffic, but add hazards to driving. To me it is plain stupid, dangerous, and looks like hell!
- 51. Goal 1 is my primary concern. We need to reduce traffic along NE 123<sup>rd</sup> between 35<sup>-rr</sup> NE and NE Sandpoint Way. This is a neighborhood, not a fast short cut. Do something!
- 52. Concern for safety with the increased traffic on 1 30<sup>th</sup> west of Fred Meyer to 30<sup>th</sup> NE. Traffic crosses Lake City Way and moves rapidly up hill to 30<sup>th</sup>.
- 53. Increased traffic 1 30th/Lake City Way/30th.
- 54. 30<sup>th</sup> to Lake City Way on 1 30<sup>th</sup>—needs safety care.
- 55. More crosswalks on 1 37<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.
- 56.1 **35**<sup>th</sup> Street is mapped for improvements while 1 **37**<sup>th</sup> Street is not. 1 **37**<sup>th</sup> is the through street from **15**<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Lake City way not **135**<sup>th</sup> Street. Sending traffic across **135**<sup>th</sup> Street between **15**<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Lake City way is exactly the type of problem causing the so called "cut-through" traffic. There are "deadends" on many of these streets, including **135**<sup>th</sup> which force traffic to cut right or left to drive through the neighborhood and find a "through" street. **137**<sup>th</sup> is a through street and is the most used because of that fact regardless of designated improvements.
- 57. I am very concerned about cut through traffic.

- 58. Traffic patterns need reworking.
- **59.The** brick crosswalk is unsafe unmarked. Cars pull up and double park or **st** in the red zone causing traffic hazards.
- 60. I have concern for automobile speed control through out this area.
- 61. Our main concern is the need for traffic flow controls. The neighborhoods lo: quality with the increase of through-traffic.
- 62.Add curbs to sidewalks.
- 63. Better signage, speed limit, police control.
- 64. Blinking lighted sign, enforce speed limits.
- 65. Repaint crosswalk after road resurfacing.
- 66. Lake City is an old, settled area, we don't need more traffic! No more traffic circles!!
- 67. Removal of the rounds in the nearby intersections.
- **68.Any** improvements to Lake City would be great, but please no more traffic circles! (1 **15**<sup>th</sup> Street is a disaster to drive with all those new islands!)
- 69. Get rid of **traffic** circles. Replace the former parking places at Lake City Post Office. Need east-west arterials at 11 **0**<sup>th</sup> and 11 **5**<sup>th</sup> Streets. Lake City Way a 1 **25**<sup>th</sup> intersection needs widening.
- 70. Goal I-I would hate to see this area become like Maple Leaf where every intersection has a traffic circle and many of the streets are one way. All that does is concentrate the traffic on arterials which are crowded now and make more inconvenient for the people who live in this area to get around. Very fe people walk anywhere anymore. Most children ride buses to school.

- 71. We need sidewalks dearly and traffic circles to slow cars. We now have a Community Center, but it is not safe to walk there with our children.
- 72. More traffic circles.
- 73. Work on east-west street right of ways (i.e. 98th).
- 74. Cars turn signals and failure to make proper legal stop (for pedestrians) at crosswalks and driveways.
- 75. Need an overpass or bypass to keep through traffic out of downtown Lake City. Sounds impossible. Other than **traffic** problem it sounds great.
- 76. NE 95<sup>th</sup> does not need to be a 4-lane road. Why were so many side streets resurfaced. There was nothing wrong with them-no pot holes!
- 77.20<sup>th</sup> Avenue b/t 130<sup>th</sup> and 145<sup>th</sup> is in HUGE need of repair. Kids play in the huge storm drains and buses should be taken off the street (they are empty and drive too fast). We want traffic circles!! We need them for safety of the children!!
- 78. Love the plan. Our narrow but deep concern is about speeding on Lakeside Place NE.
- 79. The existing traffic rounds should be removed. Cars speed around these and if you are walking you've got to be lucky to not get hit. The cars can not see pedestrians because of the plantings (or oncoming cars). In addition, the edges of the roadway, which you must walk on, are torn up because the cars speeding around the circles cannot stay on the pavement.
- 80. I also have specific concerns on the "Traffic Patterns". Some examples 20<sup>th</sup> NE between NE 1 04<sup>th</sup> and NE 1 05<sup>th</sup>--501 vehicles, no other counts on the street. Where did they come from? NE 104<sup>th</sup> Place-345, where did they go? 23<sup>rd</sup> NE is shown as a busy street from NE 104<sup>th</sup> Place to NE 1 15<sup>th</sup>, but there was only one count between NE 105<sup>th</sup> and NE 107<sup>th</sup> and no counts anywhere else. A traffic study must have all four legs of the intersections counted. One count every few blocks means very little. If your counts are correct, the Goodwin Way, 20<sup>th</sup> NE corridor with all its traffic circles is still high. If you want to control intersections and provide pedestrian safety remove the traffic circles and install Stop signs like they have in California and Everett. They work.

- 81. Correct poor sight distance at the intersection of **24**<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE and Northg Way. Install curbing along west side of **24**<sup>th</sup> Ave NE from NE Northgate Way Lake City Way. Improve left turn lane when making left turn from Lake City to **24**<sup>th</sup> Ave NE. Install signaled crosswalk at our near intersection of **24**<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE and Lake City Way.
- 82. I've been here for thirty years and do not have a problem with **24<sup>th</sup>** Ave NE, p ahead, leave it alone.
- 83. "Cross-over" bridge Lake City Way at NE 1 35th.
- 84. Cross Lake City Way overpass/lights at 125th, 127th, and 130th.
- 85. Lake City Way-more overpasses, fewer lights.
- 86. Do not encourage auto usage!! Always encourage traffic and walking. Very important to emphasize non-motorized vehicular roadways; bicycling on Lake City Way is horrid! Also, civic core area should have 0 vehicles but **encouraction** walking. Park outside area; trolley system.
- 87. Concerned about safety of people walking or biking along 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE.
- 88. Our main concern is the need for traffic flow controls. The neighborhoods **lo**c quality with the increase of through traffic.
- 89. Better traffic watching for speeders.
- 90. **Love** your "pedestrian friendly" goals! How much longer will we need cars, anyway? I'm looking forward to getting the monorail or other mass transit in place. Thanks for recognizing the need.
- 91. Safety for walkers should be addressed on more streets in Lake City.

- 92.1 am in favor of any moves in the direction of less use of cars'and encouragement of other means of transport. I, for example, use my bicycle all the time for short shopping trips and I'm 51 I
- **93.Enforce** reduced speed limit leaving Lake City Way westbound up Northgate Way.
- 94. Traffic control on all our residential streets. Keep traffic on Lake City Way.
- **95.My** concern is that this plan does not funnel traffic off Lake City Way onto other streets, e.g. **35**<sup>th</sup> NE. It looks okay now-please keep the traffic where it is already.
- 96. Remove parking on Lake City Way and widen road to 3 lanes, it's a freeway, design it accordingly.
- 97. There are places for plantings and trees, they are called parks. Street trees are beautiful if they are widely spaced and back far enough that they do not hide pedestrians. Low plantings are never good on a roadway with pedestrians... Street plantings and trees are not pedestrian friendly on busy streets, they should be removed.

105<sup>th</sup> STREET CORRIDOR: BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN TRAIL CONNECTING TO BURKE-GILMAN TRAIL

- 1. Most of the proposed bikeway paths along 1 05<sup>th</sup> could be located on city, parks, or school property and follow an almost level grade from 30<sup>th</sup> NE to past Rogers School at around the 107<sup>th</sup> street line.
- Concerned about overpass situation near 104<sup>th</sup> and Lake City Way and the impact of high speed bikes on residences (as well as high speed cars going up 104<sup>th</sup> Way into Victory Heights on the other side of the block).
- 3. Too vague. From the map it appears that one of the "two new bicycle/pedestrian access points on 105<sup>th</sup> and 145<sup>th</sup>)—could be Lakeside Place NE. This could present some serious problems-depending on what is proposed-there are...[corner torn off of postcard]. . . run-off problems, and slides at road edge.

- 4. Crosswalk over Lake City Way at **105<sup>th</sup>**: Keep bikes from traveling at high **s**r in that area and shouldn't the overpass be closer to Sacajewea School?
- Improved access to Burke-Gilman Trail is proposed, but this would create movehicle traffic in pedestrian areas. Improve parking in the library area and encourage biking to the trail facilities from there.
- 6. I hope that in the implementation of bike paths (105<sup>th</sup> link to Burke-Gilman Trathat adequate provision are made for bikers! Existing conditions preclude sa bicycling. Most bikers do not observe the rules of the road!
- 7. Do the 105<sup>th</sup> Trail.
- 8. Fund 105<sup>th</sup> bike corridor.
- 9. To me it would be less wear and tear and fear of the hillside to put a bike/pedestrian lane from the **Burke-Gilman** Trail on NE 125<sup>th</sup>, jog south on 4 Avenue to NE 123<sup>rd</sup>, jog west to Sandpoint Way. The bike ramp is pretty stee for the "average" bike rider.
- 10. I do not object to bike lanes on existing roads-but do not like the idea of separate bike trails.
- II. I am very much interested in the bicycle/pedestrian pass proposed for 105<sup>th</sup> Street. Of all the **proposals** this was the most appealing. Connecting all of the resources along 105<sup>th</sup> fform Lake City Way to the **Burke-Gilman** makes a lot c sense. And if it cuts down traffic on 105<sup>th</sup>, I'm even more interested.
- 12. More thought to bike trails-particularly when it comes through developed residential neighborhood. Do not understand-other than an overpass at 105<sup>th</sup>/Lake City Way as a safe way to get across the street why the trail continues up through Victory Heights neighborhood.
- 13. I like the NE 1 05<sup>th</sup> Street pedestrian/bike corridor.

- 14. Really like the Civic Core Plan-have concern about bike trail in the Victory Heights.
- 15. Bicycle routes: NE 1 **05**<sup>th</sup> makes no sense because it doesn't go by the 'front door' of the schools and park, but instead up steep slope.
- 16. Overpass at NE 105<sup>th</sup>. This should have been done 25 years ago when both Jane **Addams** and Nathan Hale children had to cross there.
- 17. I live in Victory Heights. Don't bring bike trail into Victory Heights.
- 18. I don't like the NE 105<sup>th</sup> Street bike trail extending west to 19<sup>th</sup> street. It should end after it crosses Lake City Way.
- 19. I particularly like the plan to enhance the bicycle and especially the pedestrian use of NE 1 05<sup>th</sup> Street 'including the overpass at Lake City Way. I urge that this and similar means of protecting the occupants of Lake City neighborhood from the effects of high-rise development gets the highest priority.
- 20. Bike trail improvement has problem at 105<sup>th</sup> and Sandpoint, the map is wrong?
- 21. Really like the Civic Core plan-have concern about bike trail in Victory Heights.

# BICYCLE COMMENTS NOT SPECIFIC TO THE 105th CORRIDOR

- 1. Do not exclude parking for bike lanes.
- 2. For businesses, preserve business parking; don't put in bike lanes, which eliminate business parking.
- 3. Parking lanes vs. bikes. Don't get rid of parking for bikes.
- 4. I would like a bike lane on either 20<sup>th</sup> or 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE. Thanks! Looks great other than that.

- 5. Do not bring bicycle trails/sidewalks to Victory Heights, streets are narrow enough!
- Make Hiram Place NE, southwest corner of Lake City Playground along 125 the way east down Lakeside Place NE to Burke-Gilman Trail a key pedestrian/bicycle route like 1 05<sup>th</sup> to Burke-Gilman.
- 7. Create a new bike pedestrian route using Lakeside Place NE.
- 8. Bicycles lanes, throughout, trails, network
- Bike route suggested along 35<sup>th</sup>, not Lake City Way. Countered by another comment that 35<sup>th</sup> has more inclines than Lake City Way.
- 10. Need bike routes throughout the planning area.
- 11. Encourage on 35<sup>th</sup>-parking on 1 side; marked bike lane on the other (Note is steeper than Lake City Way).
- 12. We think some dollars should be spent on making bike riders safer! Some major roads do not have much leeway between cars and bikes for **commuti**r and/or getting to leisure riding spots. Thank you.
- 13. Bicycles not on Lake City Way.
- 14. Bicycles: Most cyclists drive cars the same way they ride a bike (ignore rule road and courtesy toward pedestrians). In Washington and Seattle a bicycle obeys the same laws as a motor vehicle!
- 15. Bicycle paths in and to the civic centers from the neighborhoods, not just **fr**c **Burke-Gilman** Trail. Pedestrian access (trails and views) to natural geograp features (Thronton Creek, hills w/views of Lake City Way).

## **BUS AND MONORAIL SERVICE**

1. How about bus service on NE 145<sup>th</sup> all the way to Lake City Way?

- 2. We need better bus transportation from Lake City to Downtown--direct not going through "U" District! Time should mean something.
- 3. Traffic is one of my biggest concerns. I would like Metro to add a few more direct routes at rush hours. Not just at 12<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and Lake City Way-anyway the rail will cover that stop. The non-express busses take too long! Even better. Park and rides with more parking spaces!!! That huge lot next to Northgate P&R needs to be bought by Metro. I do not use park and rides because I can never find parking.
- 4. Get Metro back on track. 72 is gone. People who live on Olympic Hills have no transportation access to Downtown. A shame.
- 5. Will Monorail bring added traffic? Bikes etc.
- 6. Get Monorail stops further south on Lake City Way below 120th.
- 7. I strongly disagree with the idea of using the triangle between Lake City Way, Northgate Way, and **24**<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE for a monorail station. Will bring more traffic to that "corner". Noise, people hanging around, and I don't want to see all those trees cut off and all the houses adjacent to it in such a bad situation.
- 8. No Monorail!! If the state can "correct" our no vote on the Mariner's Stadium, they can correct tour ridiculous "yes" vote on monorail.
- 9. Monorail ? More parking for visitors? Look at parking situation.
- 10. What about Monorail, what will it do for increased traffic/parking?

# **OTHER**

1. Whole North area is hostile to pedestrians and bicycles-recommend improvements a top priority.

- 2. Make green street safe for Cedar Park especially if it becomes a school aga around the Cedar Park school grounds including the park.
- 3. Between **45**<sup>th</sup> Avenue **& 44**<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 100" Street does not go through. **One** half is maintained by neighbors and one-half is overgrown with blackberries. Can this be opened as a walkway and/or a **useable** green space?
- 4. The planning map shows "street right of way improvements for 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE south," but there is no street there and I would like to it remain that way.
- 5. What are "street right of way improvements" that are planned for some of our residential streets. We should be asked if we want them.
- 6. Hiram Place is currently blocked, keep it closed to cars-indigenous plants, impact on them.
- 7. Hiram Place issues: several residents in attendance do not want 28<sup>th</sup> opene up to traffic, and want pedestrian oriented factor retained. Concern to renative plant life along the walk.
- 8. 120<sup>th</sup> from 27<sup>th</sup> to Hiram is a deep hollow. I live [on Daniel Place]. Please correct the bottle-neck at 15th and 115<sup>th</sup> and 115<sup>th</sup> to go west or south. Please no bridge on 120<sup>th</sup> over Thornton Creek.
- 9. Clear English Ivy encroachment and blackberries from 135<sup>th</sup> NE stairs. Water runoff is damaging area. Lights occasionally shut off leaving darkness and slippery conditions.
- 10. Include NE 130<sup>th</sup> and NE 135<sup>th</sup> Street in plan as little viewspots. Including th in the plan will make them eligible to receive SPIF funds.
- 11. More [detail] about 125<sup>th</sup> to Playground path.
- 12. I live on 105<sup>th</sup>. My concern is that you still allow parking on at least one side NE 105<sup>th</sup>.

- 13.[I like] the bike paths, sidewalk improvements, encouraging density within core.
- 14. Sidewalks and curbs and closing some streets will help greatly, but only if there is a real commitment to the neighborhood's quality of life.
- 15. What about removing the no parking signs around 35<sup>th</sup> and 125<sup>th</sup> so residents can park?

#### LIBRARY

- 1. Expanding library facilities is a great **idea**. But it would be nice to see other options beyond expanding the park, etc.
- 2. Bigger library.
- 3. Improved Library parking is a must.
- 4. I like the community center/library plans.

#### **CHARACTER**

- Make urban landscaped and tree lined plaza large enough for community events and farmer's market.
- Please consider the wonderful job done at U-Village and incorporate the beauty of the work done there to our area. The outdoor eating areas and flowers and resting spots.
- 3. Look at U-Village! Nice! Please encourage useful and attractive businesses in the Lake City Way core. Pawn shop, **Xotic** Tan, auto parts YUCK! I don't go to Lake City.
- 4. Distinctive isolation and design of village center (library/communtiy center) from other business.
- 5. For Lake City Core okay, but don't get too "trendy" or fancy.
- 6. Concentrate and spend money first in core urban area.. Lake City core area is/looks like a blight. Fix that up don't mess with border neighborhoods. I

would like core area to be nice. Right now I just go there for **Bartells** and **QFC** and drive thru on my way to Bothell.

7. If the way 127<sup>th</sup> street in front of the post office is an example of your work – scrap it. It's unbelievable that an engineer could do that!

# **PARKING**

- 1. Vehicles but encourage walking. Park outside the area: trolley system.
- 2. Eliminate Davis Park and allow library and parking to expand on to the site wi bike racks too.
- 3. I like the community center/library plans.

#### **ACQUISITION**

- 1. Please don't spend it all on some study. \$50,000 isn't much money. <u>Statting</u> the Civic Core plan should be the priority.
- 2. Quick action may be essential for property acquisition.
- 3. Buying parking for Lake City Library and Community Center: I don't **recomme**r paving parks for parking. Once you build on it, you've lost it. It would be perhaps more strategic to buy old single family homes to tear down for **parking** instead. I realize this park is not heavily used as is. Perhaps an outdoor amphitheater in this location would be more appropriate. The library and community center could use this space for educational presentations and play

# **POST OFFICE**

- 1. Drive-by post boxes needed.
- 2. A drive by mail box should be priority.
- 3. Post office drive through mail boxes needed

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